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has the right to safe implementation of restraint or seclusion by trained staff. Application of restraint or seclusion in a CMHC must only be imposed when a client becomes an immediate physical threat to himself or herself, staff or other individuals and only in facilities where restraint and seclusion are permitted.

- (1) Training intervals. In facilities where restraint and seclusion are permitted, all appropriate client care staff working in the CMHC must be trained and able to demonstrate competency in the application of restraints, implementation of seclusion, monitoring, assessment, and providing care for a client in restraint or seclusion and use of alternative methods to restraint and seclusion. In facilities where restraint and seclusion are not permitted, appropriate client care staff working in CMHC must be trained in the use of alternative methods to restraint and seclusion. Training will occur as follows:
- (i) Before performing any of the actions specified in this paragraph (f).
  - (ii) As part of orientation.
- (iii) Subsequently on a periodic basis, consistent with the CMHC's policy.
- (2) Training content. The CMHC must require all appropriate staff caring for clients to have appropriate education, training, and demonstrated knowledge based on the specific needs of the client population in at least the following:
- (i) Techniques to identify staff and client behaviors, events, and environmental factors that may trigger circumstances that could require the use of restraint or seclusion.
- (ii) The use of nonphysical intervention skills.
- (iii) In facilities where restraint and seclusion are permitted, choosing the least restrictive intervention based on an individualized assessment of the client's medical and behavioral status or condition.
- (iv) The safe application and use of all types of restraint or seclusion that are permitted in the CMHC, including training in how to recognize and respond to signs of physical and psychological distress.
- (v) In facilities where restraint and seclusion are permitted, clinical identification of specific behavioral changes

that indicate that restraint or seclusion is no longer necessary.

- (vi) In facilities where restraint and seclusion are permitted, monitoring the physical and psychological well-being of the client who is restrained or secluded, including, but not limited to, respiratory and circulatory status, skin integrity, vital signs, and any special requirements specified by the CMHC's policy.
- (3) Trainer requirements. Individuals providing staff training must be qualified as evidenced by education, training, and experience in techniques used to address clients' behaviors.
- (4) Training documentation. The CMHC must document in the staff personnel records that the training and demonstration of competency were successfully completed.
- (g) Standard: Death reporting requirements. The CMHC must report deaths associated with the use of seclusion or restraint.
- (1) The CMHC must report to CMS each death that occurs while a client is in restraint or seclusion awaiting transfer to a hospital.
- (2) Each death referenced in paragraph (g)(1) of this section must be reported to the CMS Regional Office by telephone no later than the close of business the next business day following knowledge of the client's death.
- (3) Staff must document in the client's clinical record the date and time the death was reported to CMS.

## § 485.914 Condition of participation: Admission, initial evaluation, comprehensive assessment, and discharge or transfer of the client.

The CMHC must ensure that all clients admitted into its program are appropriate for the services the CMHC furnishes in its facility.

- (a) Standard: Admission. (1) The CMHC must determine that each client is appropriate for the services it provides as specified in §410.2 of this chapter.
- (2) For clients assessed and admitted to receive partial hospitalization services, the CMHC must also meet separate requirements as specified in §485.918(f).
- (b) Standard: Initial evaluation. (1) A licensed mental health professional employed by the CMHC and acting

within his or her state scope of practice requirements must complete the initial evaluation within 24 hours of the client's admission to the CMHC.

- (2) The initial evaluation, at a minimum, must include the following:
- (i) The admitting diagnosis as well as other diagnoses.
  - (ii) The source of referral.
- (iii) The reason for admission as stated by the client or other individuals who are significantly involved.
- (iv) Identification of the client's immediate clinical care needs related to the psychiatric diagnosis.
- (v) A list of current prescriptions and over-the-counter medications, as well as other substances that the client may be taking.
- (vi) For partial hospitalization services only, include an explanation as to why the client would be at risk for hospitalization if the partial hospitalization services were not provided.
- (3) Based on the findings of the initial evaluation, the CMHC must determine the appropriate members of each client's interdisciplinary treatment team.
- (c) Standard: Comprehensive assessment. (1) The comprehensive assessment must be completed by licensed mental health professionals who are members of the interdisciplinary treatment team, performing within their State's scope of practice.
- (2) The comprehensive assessment must be completed in a timely manner, consistent with the client's immediate needs, but no later than 4 working days after admission to the CMHC.
- (3) The comprehensive assessment must identify the physical, psychological, psychosocial, emotional, therapeutic, and other needs related to the client's psychiatric illness. The CMHC's interdisciplinary treatment team must ensure that the active treatment plan is consistent with the findings of the comprehensive assessment
- (4) The comprehensive assessment, at a minimum, must include the following:
  - (i) The reasons for the admission.
- (ii) A psychiatric evaluation, completed by a psychiatrist, non-physician practitioner or psychologist practicing within the scope of State licensure

- that includes the medical history and severity of symptoms. Information may be gathered from the client's primary health care provider (if any), contingent upon the client's consent.
- (iii) Information concerning previous and current mental status, including but not limited to, previous therapeutic interventions and hospitalizations.
- (iv) Information regarding the onset of symptoms of the illness and circumstances leading to the admission.
- (v) A description of attitudes and behaviors, including cultural and environmental factors that may affect the client's treatment plan.
- (vi) An assessment of intellectual functioning, memory functioning, and orientation.
- (vii) Complications and risk factors that may affect the care planning.
- (viii) Functional status, including the client's ability to understand and participate in his or her own care, and the client's strengths and goals.
- (ix) Factors affecting client safety or the safety of others, including behavioral and physical factors, as well as suicide risk factors.
- (x) A drug profile that includes a review of all of the client's prescription and over-the-counter medications; herbal remedies; and other alternative treatments or substances that could affect drug therapy.
- (xi) The need for referrals and further evaluation by appropriate health care professionals, including the client's primary health care provider (if any), when warranted.
- (xii) Factors to be considered in discharge planning.
- (xiii) Identification of the client's current social and health care support systems.
- (xiv) For pediatric clients, the CMHC must assess the social service needs of the client, and make referrals to social services and child welfare agencies as appropriate.
- (d) Standard: Update of the comprehensive assessment. (1) The CMHC must update the comprehensive assessment via the CMHC interdisciplinary treatment team, in consultation with the client's primary health care provider (if any),

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when changes in the client's status, responses to treatment, or goal achievement have occurred.

- (2) The assessment must be updated no less frequently than every 30 days.
- (3) The update must include information on the client's progress toward desired outcomes, a reassessment of the client's response to care and therapies, and the client's goals.
- (e) Standard: Discharge or transfer of the client. (1) If the client is transferred to another entity, the CMHC must, within 2 working days, forward to the entity, a copy of—
  - (i) The CMHC discharge summary.
- (ii) The client's clinical record, if requested.
- (2) If a client refuses the services of a CMHC, or is discharged from a CMHC due to noncompliance with the treatment plan, the CMHC must forward to the primary health care provider (if any) a copy of—
  - (i) The CMHC discharge summary.
- (ii) The client's clinical record, if requested.
- (3) The CMHC discharge summary must include—
- (i) A summary of the services provided, including the client's symptoms, treatment and recovery goals and preferences, treatments, and therapies.
- (ii) The client's current active treatment plan at time of discharge.
- (iii) The client's most recent physician orders.
- (iv) Any other documentation that will assist in post-discharge continuity of care.
- (4) The CMHC must adhere to all Federal and State-related requirements pertaining to the medical privacy and the release of client information.

## §485.916 Condition of participation: Treatment team, person-centered active treatment plan, and coordination of services.

The CMHC must designate an interdisciplinary treatment team that is responsible, with the client, for directing, coordinating, and managing the care and services furnished for each client. The interdisciplinary treatment team is composed of individuals who work together to meet the physical, medical, psychosocial, emotional, and therapeutic needs of CMHC clients.

- (a) Standard: Delivery of services. (1) An interdisciplinary treatment team, led by a physician, NP, PA, CNS, clinical psychologist, or clinical social worker, must provide the care and services offered by the CMHC.
- (2) Based on the findings of the comprehensive assessment, the CMHC must determine the appropriate licensed mental health professional, who is a member of the client's interdisciplinary treatment team, to coordinate care and treatment decisions with each client, to ensure that each client's needs are assessed, and to ensure that the active treatment plan is implemented as indicated.
- (3) The interdisciplinary treatment team may include:
- (i) A doctor of medicine, osteopathy or psychiatry (who is an employee of or under contract with the CMHC).
  - (ii) A psychiatric registered nurse.
  - (iii) A clinical social worker.
  - (iv) A clinical psychologist.
  - (v) An occupational therapist.
- (vi) Other licensed mental health professionals, as necessary.
- (vii) Other CMHC staff or volunteers, as necessary.
- (4) If the CMHC has more than one interdisciplinary team, it must designate the treatment team responsible for establishing policies and procedures governing the coordination of services and the day-to-day provision of CMHC care and services.
- (b) Standard: Person-centered active treatment plan. All CMHC care and services furnished to clients must be consistent with an individualized, written, active treatment plan that is established by the CMHC interdisciplinary treatment team, the client, and the client's primary caregiver(s), in accordance with the client's recovery goals and preferences, within 7 working days of admission to the CMHC. The CMHC must ensure that each client and the client's primary caregiver(s), as applicable, receive education and training provided by the CMHC that are consistent with the client's and caregiver's responsibilities as identified in the active treatment plan.
- (c) Standard: Content of the personcentered active treatment plan. The CMHC must develop a person-centered individualized active treatment plan